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In re Patent Application of:

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DERIVATISATION AND CONJUGATION

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Examiner: Eric S. Olson

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office action dated 4 September 2009, to which time for response was set to expire 4 December 2009. All of the pending claims were rejected or objected to. Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for objection/rejection and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.